

Amendment No. 2 to HB1767

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1201*

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-7-140(c)(2), is amended by designating the existing language as sub-item (A) and adding the following language to be designated as sub-item (B) and sub-item (C):

(B) A county election commission may establish a centrally located site or sites to be designated by such commission for voters voting under this subdivision.

(C) If a county elects to establish a centrally located site or sites, then the official at such former polling location shall notify the voter that the voter has the option to vote either at the new polling place or at the centrally located site or sites, if such locations are established by the county election commission.

Provided that in computerized counties, each such centrally located site shall be equipped with computer capabilities linked to the county election commission office to allow the voter's records to be changed or corrected in the same manner as if the voter were to appear at the county election commission office on election day in order that the voter may cast the appropriate ballot.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-7-141(b), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and by adding the following language to be designated as subdivision (2) and subdivision (3):

(2) A county election commission may establish a centrally located site or sites to be designated by such commission for voters voting under this subsection.

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(3) If a county elects to establish a centrally located site or sites, then the official at such polling location shall notify the voter that the voter has the option to vote either at the new polling place or at a centrally located site or sites, if such locations are established by the county election commission. Provided that in computerized counties, each such centrally located site shall be equipped with computer capabilities linked to the county election commission office to allow the voter's records to be changed or corrected in the same manner as if the voter were to appear at the county election commission office on election day in order that the voter may cast the appropriate ballot.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-8-113(a), is amended by deleting the language "equal to or greater than five percent (5%) of the total number of votes cast in the primary on the day of the election" and substituting instead the language "equal to or greater than five percent (5%) of registered voters in the district".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-8-113, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

(c) Any person trying to receive a party nomination by write-in ballots shall complete a notice requesting such person's ballots be counted in each county of the district no later than thirty (30) days before the primary election. Such person shall only have votes counted in counties where such notice was completed. The notice shall be on a form prescribed by the coordinator of elections and shall not require signatures of any person other than the person

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requesting ballots be counted. The coordinator of elections shall distribute such form to the county election commissions.

SECTION 5. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.